

REMARKS

Applicant has reviewed and considered the Office action dated Nov. 22, 2004.

In response thereto, claim 1 and 5 are amended.

In Examiner's "Claim Objections", "twisting part" is: numeral 8, 33/36, and 40; "extension handle" is numeral 10, 31/32.

Claim 1-4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C 102b as being anticipated by Hauser.

Claim 1 recites a mop including a long handle, the long handle having three parts: an upper handle, a bow portion, and a lower handle, each of them having two ends, one end of the bow portion connects to a lower end of the upper handle, and another end of the bow portion connects to an upper end of the lower handle. Such that, the long handle is formed by the sequence of connections. Also, the bow portion may be formed on a long handle without connecting (in one piece) but the same shape.


Hauser discloses: a mop comprising a long handle, two bowes are attached on the long handle, and a part of long handle disposed between the two ends of the bow portions (Fig. 7, the marked part).

Clearly, no such a part of long handle as Hauser discloses disposed between two ends of the bow portion in the present invention. So that, a user can turn the bow around more than 360 degrees. But, a user can not turn the bow around more than 360 degrees on Hauser's mop because the part between two ends of the bow portion and another bow blocked the user's arm (See Figure 6). Obviously, claim 1 patentably distinguishes over Hauser's. Other claims dependent from claim 1, are also patentable.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the application and a favorable response are respectfully requested.

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